Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota Office of the Governor

Whereas, Arthrogryposis Multiplex Congenita is a condition that causes many joints to be stiff and crooked at birth lacking the normal range of motion in one or more joints, and this condition develops prenatally and can be caused by an underlying condition or syndrome; and,

Whereas, Arthrogryposis Multiplex Congenita is an umbrella diagnosis, meaning it is a part of many other conditions and syndromes, and there are over 400 different types of Arthrogryposis Multiplex Congenita of which Amyoplasia, Distal Escobar Syndrome being the most common; and,

Whereas, A newborn has to have three contracted joints in two different body areas to be diagnosed with Arthrogryposis Multiplex Congenita and it affects 1 in 3,000 live births; and,

Whereas, Joints that can be affected by Arthrogryposis Multiplex Congenita include the joints in the hands, feet, hips, knees, elbows, shoulders, wrists, fingers, toes, as well as the jaw, and spine, and though all joints can be affected, some may be unaffected as no two people experience the same symptoms; and,

Whereas, Arthrogryposis Multiplex Congenita is not curable, but it's very treatable, and the treatment goals are usually related to promote as much independence as possible in actives of daily living:

Now, Therefore, I, Dennis Daugaard, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim June 30, 2017, as

ARTHROGRYPOSIS AWARENESS DAY

in South Dakota.

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In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Fifth Day of June in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Seventeen.

Dennis Daugaard, Governor

Attest:

Shantel Krebs, Secretary of State